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1. On 6 November 1950 a conference was held at Yenchi (129-31, 42-55), Manchuria, to discuss the organization of North Korean forces. Participants were General CHOU Pao-chung, chief of staff of Northeast China forces; KIM IL-song and HO Ka-i* (head of the North Korean Labor Party Orgburo), each with a delegation, for North Korea; Colonel Kalevski, staff member of the headquarters of the Soviet Far East Army; a lieutenant colonel of the Soviet intelligence service, for the Hoeryong (129-45, 42-25) area, and HWANG, his Korean interpreter. The same persons had attended a similar conference in Namyang** in early June 1950 to discuss the invasion of South Korea.
2. The conference made the following decisions:
 - a. The North Koreans will reorganize in the Tsenta*** and Tunghua areas in Manchuria.
 - b. The Chinese Communists will provide 100,000 irregular filler replacements and the USSR will provide all arms.
3. CHOU Pao-chung, as Chinese representative in Khabarovsk, secured KIM IL-song's release from a Soviet concentration camp at Okonskaya, near Nikolsk (131-55, 43-46), late in 1943 after KIM's escape from Korea.

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* [REDACTED] Comment. According to [REDACTED] HO is a member of the North Korean Central Political Committee and Chairman of the Observation Committee of the North Korean Labor Party; he was born in the USSR and was sent directly from Moscow as a Soviet observer in Korea. HO receives Soviet orders to the North Korean government from Ambassador Shtykov.

** [REDACTED] Comment. Namyang is believed to be at 129-53, 42-55.

*** [REDACTED] Comment. Tsenta is given as received; it is believed to be at 126-07, 42-00.

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